

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Applicants' undersigned representative wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended during the telephonic interview conducted on March 6, 2007. This is a statement of the substance of the interview.

During the interview, the Office Action dated November 30, 2006 was discussed. The Examiner initially indicated that he had performed only a cursory review of the case in preparation for the interview, since the case had not yet been officially transferred to him. In this regard, the Examiner suggested that filing a written response would expedite the transfer.

In addition, the Examiner agreed to take into consideration arguments presented during the interview. Therefore, by way of introduction Applicants presented the Examiner with a summary of Claim 1 and summaries of Aoki, Jacobsen and Kondo. Applicants also presented arguments in accordance with remarks included in the Amendment submitted herewith.

CONCLUSION

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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